GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING
LOK SABHA

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ADDITIONAL METRO CHANNEL IN TAMIL NADU
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Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is proposed to start additional Metro Channels in Tamil Nadu considering the fact even though smaller States have more that one metro channel;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SMT. SUSHMA SWARAJ)

(a)&(b): There is only one Metro Channel of Doordarshan for the entire country. For terrestrialcoverage of this Channel, a number of transmitters of varying powers throughout the country are presently operational including, a High Powertransmitter (HPT) at Chennai in Tamil Nadu. For further expansion of this facility in the State, an HPT at Kodaikanal and 9 Low Power transmittersone each at Tiruchirapalli, Vellore, Salem, Tuticorin, Madurai, Coimbatore, Erode, Tirunelvelli and Tirupattur are under implementation.

(c): Does not arise.